CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	Ygf028.jpg
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1601046.005
Medium:	Computer Image File
Publisher:	Not stated
Country of origin:	Not stated
Language:	Not applicable
Applicant:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	08 March 2017
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	07 March 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. The image file consists of several images taken from a video. The images explicitly depict a young young teenage girl being engaged in sexual activity by a man. It is a visual record of sexual exploitation and is intended to sexually arouse viewers with a prurient interest in young girls. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.